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NOTORIOUS PIRATE EXECUTED.

REMARKABLE SCENES AT WUCHOW.

[Graphic Description by an Eye-Witness, specially written for the *Daily Press*!]

The notorious pirate Yuan, who has shown himself a veritable king of crime and for whose capture a reward of \$4,000 was offered, has at length been captured and executed. He was the terror of the West River. At the head of a large organization which had spies from Canton upwards, he rarely failed to carry out any plan he had arranged. Not only was he successful in his exploits, but he was equally fortunate in evading his pursuers. Time after time, when escape seemed impossible, he gave the military and the police the slip, and renewed his depredations at some place where he was least expected. To liken him to Robin Hood or Rob Roy is perhaps too complimentary. He possessed the resource and fearlessness of these men, but he had no semblance of their chivalry. Yuan was daring, but he was brutal; he was horribly savage. He has been known to murder a man for a dollar, and when the twenty students from Wuchow with the two teachers who were on their way to study in Japan fell into his hands a few weeks ago he would not spare their lives though they offered all that they possessed and he killed them all in cold blood. Women and children were ruthlessly butchered by him, and in some instances he tortured his victims before putting them to death. He plundered villages and massacred the helpless peasantry without the slightest compunction. He was absolutely merciless. Hundreds of people have been slain by him. The Sanam affair is attributed to him and his latest exploit was the massacre of a village not far from Wuchow.

Though not a man of great physique, he was nevertheless a fairly well set up villain, with a decided presence. And his genius, though misdirected, must be admitted. Originally distinguished most of his schemes which required more than ordinary daring. On a recent occasion he got his enemies on board a certain vessel by having them all dressed as women. What most marks his personality is the fact that Yuan was a member of a distinguished family which occupies high place in the counsels of the Empire. He is said to have been an officer in the Imperial troops sent to quell the Kwangsi rebellion but deserted with all his men and preyed on society. However, retribution has overtaken him at last, and singularly enough his fall was brought about by a woman. As already indicated, he spared neither sex nor age, and among his victims were his wife and her relatives. He stole women and when he tired of them he either sold them or killed them. His last feminine companion was a girl whom he had abducted from her home. She it was who betrayed him into the hands of the soldiers. He had gone to the village of De-Shing, a little way below Wuchow, and had taken up his residence in a certain house. His Delilah informed the occupants who he was and they decided to make him drunk. In this they succeeded and the commander of the Chinese river gunboat having been informed in the meantime he shortly arrived on the scene with his braves and took him prisoner. Yuan was brought to Wuchow on Saturday and taken before Taotai Wong. His trial was short and his fate was not long in doubt. Two days later he was decapitated.

The scenes at his execution were rather remarkable and are worthy of mention. All day the city was agog with excitement and as there was the usual uncertainty about the time fixed for the event a dense crowd waited on the Parade Ground. Shortly after three the military arrived and took up a position beneath the platform on which stood the paraphernalia appropriate to the occasion. The Taotai Wong and the Expectant Taotai came in chairs, then a band of soldiers in European uniform led by a drummer who beat a sort of dead march, and finally, the bearers carrying the cage in which the manacled prisoner crouched. Immediately it was set on the ground an official jumped on the top of it, and hung over it like a cat ready to pounce upon a mouse. He produced two knives. Slipping the sheathes into his girdle, he proceeded to sharpen them on the bars of the cage. It made the European beholders shudder. The doomed man looked up with a sort of idle curiosity, but betrayed no visible emotion. Some ceremonial was proceeded with on the platform, such as production of the warrant and the sentence of death. The cage was opened and the prisoner was led out. His chains were taken off and he was dragged up to the platform. The significance of the little that transpired then was not quite apparent. However the opium which lay on the steps was not administered to him, as is sometimes done in such circumstances. Whether he refused it or was not offered it could not be ascertained. His hands were tied behind him and his jacket was pulled beneath his armpits, leaving the upper part of the body exposed. Then he was hurried down the steps and made to kneel. The executioner stepped forward with his two handed sword. It flashed in the air and descended swiftly on the bare neck. A thrill of horror passed through some of the spectators. Even the callous Chinese, who were laughing and chattering throughout the proceedings, hushed for a moment. The arm that wielded the sword was not strong enough. The neck had been cut only a few inches deep, and the man had fallen forward, not quite dead, though dying. Another executioner rushed forward and pushed the first out of the way. He steadied himself on his feet and with terrible precision struck a fierce blow, and the head

rolled on the ground. Bystanders were spattered with blood, but that seemed to trouble them little. One man jumped on the quivering body, and three soldiers fired into it. Then the principal executioner, drawing a knife from his belt, plunged it into the corpse. He backed away the flesh and cut out the heart, which he carried in his hand up to the Taotai. The head had also been placed on some sort of platter and taken to the platform where it was scrutinised by the officials. Doubtless it would be exposed later in some prominent place, but what happened to the heart—whether it was offered as a sacrifice or eaten as some said,—did not transpire. But the men were not finished with their sanguinary work. They cut up the body, opening the stomach and the legs. It all seemed horribly callous and savage. The crowd however seemed quite unmoved. They chattered and laughed, and gathered round the mangled corpus. After long staring at the gruesome sight, they still seemed loth to leave the ground but the little band of Europeans who had witnessed the spectacle hurried away somewhat upset. Perhaps they realized less than the natives the victim's great deserts. Still, no European would wish to witness such a sight a second time. It was such a palpable insult to the living, this ruthless treatment of the dead.

FANCY DRESS BALL.

A brilliant conclusion to a successful series. Such was the verdict passed last night at the fancy dress dance which brought the course promoted by the Scottish Masonic Quadrille Association to a close. True, the attendance was not quite so large as on previous occasions but that was only to be expected. However, the event was none the less successful. Both the ladies and gentlemen turned out in fancy costume, and the scene, especially at the opening Grand March, was very pleasing indeed. There was a fine colour effect, and a perfect harmony was obtained. It would be difficult to say whether the ladies or gentlemen revealed the greater originality. The make up in nearly every case was particularly good, and the transformation in most of those present added to the pleasures of the dance. Messrs J. McLeod, Harvey and Sibbett were MC's, and Mr. J. Blake was responsible for the general arrangements. As usual excellent music was supplied by the Calcutta String Band. We append list of those in character.

Appended is a list of the characters represented:

Mrs Brown, Comin' thro' the rye.
Mrs Young Her, Order of the Bath.
Mr E. G. Jordan, "China Mail."
Miss M. Chumut, "Overland Mail."
Miss D. Chumut, "New Weekly."
Miss Morris, Daughter of the Regiment.
Miss Gibson, Pierrette.
Miss G. R. Edwards, Spanish Dancing Girl.
Miss Highy, Spanish Lady.
Miss Jones, Queen of Hearts.
Miss Smith, Queen of Diamonds.
Mrs Badcock, Queen of Hearts.
Miss Jones, Whisky Poker.
Mrs Hill, Yule Tide.
Mrs McLeod, Jockey.
Miss Rocks, Country Girl.
Miss Smith, Cherry Ripe.
Miss Green, Housemaid.
Madame Deparre, Folly.
Miss Olsen, Spanish Dancer.
Miss Jacobs, Corporal R. G. A.
Miss Mason, Dutch Girl.
Mrs Summers, Herself.
Mrs Robertson, Miss Muffett.
Miss Vandstone, A Ladys ye olden day.
Miss Shifford, Belle of New York.
Miss Long, Girl from the Wild West.
Miss King, Jester.
Mr O. Chumut, lost Letter.
Lieut. Greenwood, Sailor Boy.
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Mr Edwards, School Girl.
Mr Abraham, French Chief.
Mr Monagh, St. Charles Cream.
Mr Parkinson, Silly Sam.
Mr E. Hayward, Folly.
Mr C. Hayward, Yeoman.
Mr Avenel, Sailor.
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Mr Johansson, Clown.
Mr Lindblom, Clown.
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Mr Harrop, Husser.
Mr Welsh, Man from the Wild West.
Mr Bains, Beekeeper.

MACAO.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

April 3rd.

EMINENT CITIZEN'S DEATH.

Mr Domingos Clemente Pacheco, not long returned from a holiday at home, died on April 1st, aged 87 years. He was formerly President of the Real Senado, and occupied other honorary and useful positions in local public life. His wife survives.

DEPARTURES.

H. E. Senator Montenegro had an enthusiastic send-off with farewelling crowds fire crackers, and music. The Chief Justice Dr. Arez and family, leave for Macau by the German mail from Hongkong on the 24th inst. Dr. Arez has been promoted to be *juez de Relacao* in that colony. The Bishop is going to Rome shortly. General Castello Branco is acting as Governor until H. E. Senator Azevedo Coutinho arrives. He is expected to-morrow.

PUBLIC WORKS.

There is much still to do by the Director of Public Works at Macao to escape damage when the typhoon season starts.

PARIS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

March 1st.

INFLUENZA LIFE.

La Grippe, la *soufrance grippe* or the influenza is once more with us. The present epidemic is of exceeding intensity and is admitted to be by the medical profession of a far more serious nature than any previous similar epidemics. Very few indeed are free from influenza in Paris just now, and its effects are causing considerable inconvenience. Several firms have found it necessary to close their business places owing to the illness of their staffs; a notice on the doors attributes the temporary suspension to *La Grippe*. On the boulevards the kiosks have put up their shutters until the attendant's are well enough to resume work. Government officials, magistrates, civil employees of both sexes, and policemen all are down and are paying a tribute to the plague. Only a few days ago 400 postmen being on the sick list, two deliveries per day were suspended. Parisians have to thank Londoners for the present epidemic; it having first turned up in the English capital, and crossed over. Influenza is everywhere, and much in Paris as in the suburbs and the Provinces; its ravages have become so serious that the authorities are genuinely anxious as to the consequences of this modern plague. The deaths from *la grippe* in the capital alone have become truly alarming; nor does the epidemic show any sign of decreasing. It is a particularly severe visitation this winter, and the mortality statistics have in consequence gone up very considerably. It is not altogether surprising that when once *la grippe* takes hold of the inhabitants of a city like Paris, it should find a congenial soil considering the fact that Parisians do not know either how to make themselves comfortable or how to dress for the weather. Frenchmen, strange to say, have a horror of fresh air, and although they are quick to put on their overcoat as soon as it begins to be cold, they seldom take it off when they enter a warm apartment. Go into any *cave* in Paris these days, and out of every ten men sitting playing cards or drinking *absinthe* you will probably seek in vain for one who has removed his overcoat. The result is that while these men are overheated, and when they leave it they catch cold.

GOUNOD'S MEMORY.

Saint-Cloud (once the Windsor of France) is about to do honour to the memory of Gounod. The illustrious composer at one time lived there, and for years inhabited a pretty villa at Montreal, where he composed the greater number of his masterpieces. During the Franco-Prussian war the German soldiers sacked the original mansion and burned it down. Every thing was destroyed, with the exception of a guitar, which to-day is to be seen in the Opera Museum. This guitar is precious to admirers of "Faust" and "Mireille," for more than one reason, for it is said that its chords resounded to the composer's first musical conceptions. It bears in the centre, written by the master's hand the words—"Nemours, 1852." It is now proposed to erect a monument to Gounod, which will be surmounted by a bronze reproduction of J. B. Carpeaux's bust of the great musician. The inauguration of the monument is expected to take place in the coming spring.

AERONAUTICS.

M. Santos Dumont's latest aeroplane, the one with which the intrepid young Brazilian intends to compete for different prizes, is rapidly nearing completion. The machine in question resembles Mr. Dumont's last in outward appearance, but many important alterations have been made. Thus the arms of pilable wood, are fixed in the form of a V at an angle of eight degrees, and over them are stretched two pieces of cloth, which, from the shape of the framework, form two gigantic hot kites about 43 feet across. In the middle of one of these is placed the motor, which works a two-bladed screw of aluminium, 51 feet in diameter. In front a tri-car's dolly has been substituted for the basket, and is fixed behind the motor and a little lower. The rudder, which is in the rear of theeronman's seat, will weigh about 60 lbs. less than that of the machine with which M. Santos Dumont won the Archdeacon Cup. The new aeroplane will be completed in a day or two, and the trials will take place as soon as the state of the ground at St. Cyr permits.

PASTEUR INSTITUTE'S LEGACY.

The Pasteur Institute in Paris—one of the most popular and best known institutions in this city—has been bequeathed the princely sum of one million sterling by the late M. Osiris who has just died. This great windfall is the largest ever yet fallen to the lot of the Institute. The whole of the millionaire's fortune is left to the Pasteur Institute, which however, has to meet a number of legacies, philanthropic and personal. All that is left of the Institute has unfettered discretion to apply in the investigation of "infectious diseases." It is said that M. Osiris used to balance his estate up every month, and that the last balance sheet showed him to be worth £1,720,000. Out of this must be paid to the City of Paris £1,000 for statues to Mme. Hirsh and Bouscuit, £181 a year for prizes for the Turgot School for Girls; £81 a year for prizes for the Paris elementary; and £40 a year for similar prizes in eight other towns of France and Switzerland. The Men of Letters Society and that of Authors receive each £200; and the Academy of Medicine £1,000 for prizes. An estate in the Gironde (South of France) is left to the nation to organize popular instruction in viticulture. To relatives there is a bequest totalling £2,000 a year, which may be capitalized.

CROKER v. DOCTORS.

Dr. Doyen has just won the day against Mr. Croker, the well-known American millionaire, who some time ago, it will be remembered,

brought a suit against Dr. Doyen to recover the £2,000 fee paid for the treatment for cancer of the late Mrs. Croker. The First Chamber of the Civil Tribunal of the Seine held that the famous surgeon had acted in perfect good faith, the results which he had obtained in other cases justifying his hope of curing Mrs. Croker.

While not disputing the fact that £2,000 was a somewhat disproportionate fee for the services actually rendered, the Court found for the defendant (the Dr.) as the question before them was purely one of the validity of the contract between Mr. Croker and Dr. Doyen. One of Dr. Doyen's claims to notoriety is that he charges higher fees than probably any other surgeon in France. Mrs. Croker first submitted to his treatment in April 29, 1904. She was given repeated injections of Dr. Doyen's serum, but on May 27 Mr. Croker had the treatment stopped, as its only effect had been to render Mrs. Croker's condition worse. In the month of July the patient was taken back to America, where she died on July 17. In the interval, Mr. Croker, having asked what the surgeon's fee would be, was informed by Dr. Doyen's "business manager" that it would be £10,000 francs—or £2,000, which, according to custom, should be paid at the commencement of the treatment. Mr. Croker paid the amount asked for, and the treatment was proceeded with. But in view of the unsatisfactory results obtained Mr. Croker asked that the money be paid to the surgeon should be returned to him on the plea that the contract between him and Dr. Doyen should be declared null and void, his consent having been obtained by moral violence, "that is to say by the fear that if he did not pay the sum stipulated the treatment would be stopped to the prejudice of the patient." The case while being heard attracted considerable attention.

A CHINESE PROFESSION.

Forty or fifty years ago a familiar figure in the Paris streets was the Public Writer or *Ecritain* as he was called, who was an unhappy scribbler whose task it was to put into epistolary form such matter as was entrusted to him for the purpose by illiterate workmen, cabmen, and servant girls. The little tooth, with desks in front, where he exercised his strange profession have gradually disappeared as Paris has been demolished and rebuilt. The spread of education among the lower classes was really his death blow. Nowdays one seldom hears of the Public Writer, though two or three are still to be met with in the very old parts of the city. Their fee is always moderate, while those who patronise these *ecritains*—chiefly scholars of both sexes who have been reduced by reverses or persistent misery to a very low position—in addition to securing good penmanship, can rely upon such writers to keep secrets.

THE BALLOON IN WAR.

A considerable amount of study continues to be devoted to the important question of the balloon in war-time. Ex-Minister of War M. Bertheux has more than once gone up in the air with the object of discovering for himself how far the airship might be utilised by the military. M. Bertheux described his sensations as being very agreeable. So smooth is the progress of an airship that the passenger would almost imagine he was standing still. The only time he had to complain of was the noise made by the turning of the propeller; this he thinks might be remedied. As an instrument of war the ex-Minister believed the airship might prove very useful, but one must not expect too much. A balloon must never go too far from its base, for it is always obliged to return. The weather also is an important element, and one should not lose sight of the fact that a good deal has yet to be done in the way of perfecting the military balloon. M. Bertheux was struck with three points during his aerial manoeuvres, namely, the resistance of the airship to atmospheric currents, its stability, and its surety of direction. (It was the Minister himself who gave the instructions as to the route to be followed, and in spite of a strong wind his directions were followed to the letter.) Equally interesting is the fact that M. Bertheux was the first French Minister of War to recognise the practicability of the airship as an adjunct to the Army, while it is, thanks to his sanction, that France is to possess the first aerial "fleet" of war balloons, to be completed in a day or two, and the trials will

take place as soon as the state of the ground at St. Cyr permits.

LA BERNARD.

The Pasteur Institute in Paris—one of the most popular and best known institutions in this city—has been bequeathed the princely sum of one million sterling by the late M. Osiris who has just died. This great windfall is the largest ever yet fallen to the lot of the Institute. The whole of the millionaire's fortune is left to the Pasteur Institute, which however, has to meet a number of legacies, philanthropic and personal. All that is left of the Institute has unfettered discretion to apply in the investigation of "infectious diseases." It is said that M. Osiris used to balance his estate up every month, and that the last balance sheet showed him to be worth £1,720,000. Out of this must be paid to the City of Paris £1,000 for statues to Mme. Hirsh and Bouscuit, £181 a year for prizes for the Turgot School for Girls; £81 a year for prizes for the Paris elementary; and £40 a year for similar prizes in eight other towns of France and Switzerland. The Men of Letters Society and that of Authors receive each £200; and the Academy of Medicine £1,000 for prizes. An estate in the Gironde (South of France) is left to the nation to organize popular instruction in viticulture. To relatives there is a bequest totalling £2,000 a year, which may be capitalized.

LA BERNARD.

The magnificent welcome accorded to Mme. Sarah Bernhardt on the occasion of her making her first appearance as "Professor" at the Conservatoire a few days ago more than surpassed anything which that distinguished lady anticipated. The female pupils of her class, to whom she will give lessons in dramatic declamation, presented the famous actress with a beautiful bouquet of violets. The professor remained on hours at the Conservatoire listening in silence to the amateur comedians and tragedians, while they gave selections from well-known plays. At the close Mme. Bernhardt expressed her approval of the gifts of her pupils, and before she left she requested—the Director of the Conservatoire to oblige her with a cloth to cover the table before which she sat when in charge of her class. If Mme. Bernhardt was not a marvel of energy, she would never be equal to the task she has imposed upon herself. She is now over sixty years of age, and a grandmother. Yet every Thursday she will be obliged to spend an hour teaching her art at the Conservatoire, then hasten to her theatre to appear in a matinee performance, and play again in the evening. How many younger women would be equal to such a programme?

There are really only two kinds of poverty. The poverty which lies *low* below the margin which touches *equilibrium*, and the poverty of discontent.

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ROYAL COMMISSION ON SHIPPING RINGS.

The first sitting took place on Feb. 26th in London, of the Commission appointed "to inquire into the operation of shipping rings" or conferences generally, and more especially into the system of deferred rebates, and to report whether such operations have caused or are likely to cause injury to British or colonial trade, and if so, what remedial action, if any, should be taken by legislation or otherwise. The Commission consists of Mr. Arthur Cohen, K.C. (chairman), Sir David Barbour, Mr. John Barry, Sir Alfred Hateman, Sir Hugh Bell, Mr. Henry Birchenough, Captain R. Muirhead, Col. Cholm, Professor Edward Carter Gonier, Lord Inverclyde, Mr. Charles Napier Lawrence, Sir John Macmillan, Mr. F. Maddison, M.P., Mr. W. H. Mitchell, Mr. O. C. Phillips, M.P., Mr. William Pember Reeves, Mr. Oswald Sanderson, Mr. Austin Taylor, M.P., Mr. John Torrance, with Mr. James Webster, secretary.

William Garland Soper, chairman of the South African Merchants' Committee, was the first witness.

The committee was formed in 1902, and consisted of 25 firms.

The present members were elected by ballot at the annual meeting of the South African merchants and shippers in November last.

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NO. 26, WYNDHAM STREET.

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THE CENTRAL STORES, LTD.
SHANGHAI.

The adjourned meeting of this company took place at Shanghai on March 28th, Mr. G. I. Skebury (Chairman) said:—We meet again today to discuss the resolutions brought before you at the last extraordinary meeting, the adjournment of which we agreed to in order to allow those shareholders who were not acquainted with the Articles of this Company to have an opportunity to peruse them, although we could then have carried the resolutions by an overwhelming large majority of votes. I may say it is not customary with any company in submitting resolutions to its shareholders to quote the rules affecting such resolutions. It is for any shareholder who may have any objection to such resolutions or who may wish to amend them, either to go to the office of the Company to look up the Articles of Association or else send and buy a copy. In the present transitory period of the business of the Company the directors would not recommend the issue of debentures. There is no doubt that the issue of debentures would be more advantageous from the founders' shareholders' point of view, as the Company would have to pay a guaranteed interest very much less than the cumulative one according to the Articles of Association. At the same time, I may point out the dangers which might ensue were we to issue debentures, by stating, that not very long ago, in a town not far distant from Shanghai, where a Company built up a similar undertaking to ours by having borrowed one-third of the cost in debentures, so long as the business was paying, things went satisfactorily, but when two or three lean years came along and they could hardly pay their working expenses, much less the interest on debentures, what was the result? The debenture-holders foreclosed on the property and sold it by auction at a time when business was very bad, and the property hardly realized an amount sufficient to pay the debenture-holders, and the shareholders got nothing for their trouble. That property, gentlemen, on the revival of business, is paying very handsomely to its present owners. After this statement I do not think that any of the shareholders would pledge the property of this Company at the present juncture. There is nothing more which I will point out now to those who acquired shares in the Company recently, that there is a clause—I may say a very valuable clause—in the lease which gives us the right of purchase of the land upon which the Palace Hotel is built. We cannot say when we shall be asked to exercise that clause, but it might be when least expected, and at a time perhaps when trade is bad and money hard to raise; and if you pledge your property now, it will be doubly hard to raise money then, whereas, if our property is not encumbered we could then easily, by giving a large margin, be able to raise debentures. Some resolutions were handed to us to be brought forward at this meeting, but you are aware, gentlemen, that this is but an adjourned meeting, and I would refer you to Article 83 of the Articles of Association, which reads as follows:—"The CHAIRMAN, with the consent of the meeting, shall have power to adjourn any meeting from time to time and from place to place, but no business left unfinished at the meeting from which the adjournment took place. These resolutions we therefore did not circulate amongst the shareholders. While the directors, therefore, were not empowered by the Articles of Association to have these amendments submitted to this meeting, they wish to assure the shareholders that they have given the subject matter of these careful attention. I have already dealt with the question of issuing debentures. In regard to the charge of the Company, this point has been considered before, but as at that time and your directors now feel that the changes would be inadvertable, as it would entail a considerable amount of labour, to say nothing of the expense to liquidating the Company and re-registration. In regard to the other resolution which has been submitted, our architects have undoubtedly had great difficulty with the contractor they employed, who has proved unsatisfactory, but as I mentioned at the last ordinary meeting, the directors have claimed the full penalty under the contract for the delay, and payment of this will be duly enforced. The directors do not consider that any useful purpose would be served by charging our architects. The delay which has occurred in the completion has no doubt been extremely annoying, but the work which you have all seen, is of the first quality, and has been well done. I, therefore, now beg to propose the following resolutions:

1.—That the capital of the Company be increased to \$75,845 by the creation of twenty thousand additional ordinary shares of \$15 each to be called "Further new shares."

2.—That 10,000 of such further new shares be offered at par in the first instance to the members of the Company being on the register on the 30th day of April 1907 in the proportion of one further new share for every three existing shares held by them respectively and that such offer be made by notice specifying the number of shares to which the member is entitled and limiting time within which the offer, if not accepted by payment in full, will be deemed to be declined and that the directors be empowered to dispose of the shares not taken in response to such offer as they consider expedient in the interests of the Company and that no fractional shares shall be issued.

3.—That such further new shares shall from the date of payment rank for dividend a 12% interest, and be in all respects pari passu with the existing new issue of the Company.

4.—That the remaining 10,000 of the 20,000 further new shares shall be issued at such time and upon such terms and conditions as the Board shall deem expedient.

Mr. Morphine seconded.

Mr. Michael supported the resolution. He paid a tribute to the work done by the directors, in rescuing the company from the vortex of bankruptcy and putting it in its present strong position. He considered that the above should receive every support from the shareholders, and that it was not wise to be under-capitalized.

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Mr. EVANS pressed his point.

Mr. THERDALE explained that the Articles of Association and Hongkong Ordinance were alike stringent in this point, as it would be unfair to shareholders, who did not attend the meeting if something other than that formally set forth in the agenda by the regular period of notice were brought forward.

Mr. EVANS asked if he might mention what the resolution he wished to move was.

The CHAIRMAN had no objection.

Mr. EVANS explained that he was not opposed to the raising of new capital, but he wished the last resolution to stand. "That the remaining 10,000 of the 20,000 further new shares shall be issued on such terms and conditions, if required, as shall be decided at a future meeting of shareholders."

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Hongkong, 11th March, 1907. 115

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

CHINKIANG, British str., 1,329, Robertson, 3rd April—Saigon 29th March, Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
CHIPSHING, British str., 1,180, F. Mooney, 3rd April—Wei-hai-wei 29th March, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
HAIDSBURG, German str., 6,470, N. F. Filler, 3rd April—Japan and Shanghai 31st March, General, Hamburg-American Line.
HONGKONG, British str., 366, Bymer, 3rd April—Amoy 1st April, Ballast—Butterfield & Swire.
JOHN MUIR, Japanese str., 702, H. S. Smith, 3rd April—Tainan 31st March, General—Oshika, Kishima Kai-sha.
MELBOURNE, Australian str., 3rd April, from Canton.
RIKHOON, Chinese str., 3rd April, from Canton.
RIKHOON MARU, Japanese str., 2,890, G. S. Lepak, 3rd April—Singapore 27th March—General—Nippon Yusen Kai-sha.
SHAOHSING, British str., 1,307, F. D. Northam, 3rd April—Shanghai via Ningpo 31st March, General—Butterfield & Swire.
TRIUMPH, German str., 678, Hansen, 2nd April—Haiphong 31st March, General—Jeske & Co.
ULV, Norwegian str., 363, J. Pederson, 3rd April—Seigun 30th March, Rice—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
April 3d.

Chipping, British str., for Canton.
Ching-ting, British str., for Shanghai.
Huan, British str., for Seigon.
Indrau Sief, German str., for Saigon.
Peninsula, Norwegian str., for Haiphong.

DEPARTURES.

April 3d.

BINH THUAN, French str., for Hongkong.
DUCLOC, British str., for Kuching.
FUKU MARU, Japanese str., for Moji.
GLENGARRY, British str., for Shanghai.
HAIKUN, British str., for Swatow.
KANGI MARU, Japanese str., for Saigon.
KAWAII MAHU, Japanese str., for Singapore.
PARHOU, British str., for Canton.
RAO H, German str., for Bangkok.
JASMIN, German str., for Swatow.
SEXTA, German str., for Saigon.
SHOSH MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.
SUDERO, German str., for Haiphong.
YANGMOO, Japanese str., for Kuchinotzu.

SHIPPIING REPORTS.

The British str. *Chipping* reports: Mod. N.E. and N.W. wind and sea to Hainan Islands and fine weather. Christians to Lamock fresh N.N.E. wind and rough sea, fine weather. Back to Port moderate E.N.E. wind and sea, fine weather overcast sky.
The Japanese str. *Rojin* reports: Strong N.E. wind from 31st p.m.
The British str. *Hokkaido* reports: Fresh monsoon, dull cloudy.
The Japanese str. *Jidai Maru* reports: Strong N.E. and E.N.E. monsoon and considerable sea, cloudy.
The British str. *Shoalstone* reports: Strong N.E. wind fine clear weather.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

April 3d.

ABERDEEN DOCKS.—
KOWLOON DOCKS.—
ADELAIDE, *Sororum*, Z. Y. de
Aderca, *Emperador*, *Saphir*, *Tijatjap*, *Kubis*,
Chiung, *Nanping*, *Layel*, *Empress of India*,
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At Boulogne the steamer is discharging in Victoria Dock.

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SECTIONS.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAMES	FLAG & B&W	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON &c. VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	MALTA	Brit. str.	—	R. A. Peters	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 6th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BRECONSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	E. P. Martin	SHEWAN, TOME'S & CO.	About 10th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	NILE	Brit. str.	k. w.	E. P. Martin	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 10th inst.
MARSEILLE, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG	SUEZ	Ger. str.	—	Broo	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE ...	About 19th inst.
MARSEILLE, HAVRE, COENAGHEN, &c.	SIBERIEN	Dan. str.	—	Broo	MELCHERS & CO.	On 16th inst., at 1 A.M.
MARSEILLE, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	ZEPHER	Fren. str.	—	Broo	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES ...	On 16th inst., at 1 A.M.
MARESII LES, HAVRE, ANTWERP & HAMBURG	TIETZEN	Ger. str.	—	R. Meyer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE ...	On 20th May.
HAMBURG	BRIGAVIA	Ger. str.	—	Schulze	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE ...	On 10th inst., at Noon.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	BRISGAVIA	Aus. str.	—	Sander	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE ...	On 15th inst.
NAPLES, LUSON, PLYMOUTH, HAVRE & HAMBURG	PERSIA	Ger. str.	—	Wielker	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE ...	On 24th inst., P.M.
NAPLES, PLYMOUTH, HAVRE & HAMBURG	HABSBURG	Ger. str.	v. Hoff	Belaffor	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE ...	To-morrow.
NAPLES, PLYMOUTH, HAVRE & HAMBURG, NEW YORK VIA PORTS OF SUEZ CANAL	HABENSTAUEN	Ger. str.	v. Hoff	Belaffor	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE ...	On 3rd May.
NEW YORK	HOHENSTAUFEN	Ger. str.	v. Hoff	Belaffor	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE ...	On 29th May.
FRANCISCO	ALBENGA	Am. str.	—	Dodwell	SHEWAN, TOME'S & CO.	About 12th inst.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	MONTHORSE	Am. str.	—	Dodwell	SHEWAN, TOME'S & CO.	Quick despatch.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	APPALACHEE	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	SHEWAN, TOME'S & CO.	About 20th inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 11th inst., at 4 P.M.
CALLAO, IQUIQUE VIA JAPAN FORTS, &c.	ATHENIAN	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 1st May, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	LYRA	Am. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 16th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	KASATO MARU	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 25th inst., at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA TIMOR	CHINKIANG	Ger. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 10th inst., at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TIEN SIN	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 25th inst., at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHIPISSHING	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 27th inst., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TIEN TSIN	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	About 5th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINGTUO	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 9th inst., at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TIJODAS	Dut. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	Quick despatch.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHIYUANG	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 10th inst., at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YANGTUNG	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 18th inst., at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	NANCHANG	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	To-day at Noon.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TAMSU	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 7th inst., Daylight.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	WUHCHOW	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 11th inst., at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	FORMOSA	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	About 4th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	ARCADIA	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	About 4th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINENIA	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	To-morrow.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	SHAONING	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 6th inst., at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	GREGORY APCAR	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 8th inst., at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	P. E. FRIEDRICH	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	About 10th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	KWONGSAM	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 7th inst., Daylight.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	KWEILIN	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 12th inst., at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	SENEGAMBIA	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 15th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	SIAM	Dan. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	About First Half of May.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	JOSHIN MARU	Jap. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 7th inst., at 9 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	RUBI	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	To-morrow at 5 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	HOKHOW	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	To-day at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	HAICHING	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 9th inst., at 11 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YUNGSANG	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TAMING	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 9th inst., at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 13th inst., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	SUNGKIAO	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 5th inst., at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	BORNEO	Ger. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 1st May, at 9 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	KUMHANG	Brit. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 6th inst., at 3 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	ISTOK	Aus. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 14th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CAPRI	Ital. str.	—	Dodwell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA ...	On 11th inst., at Noon

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SHANGHAI	Capt. B. W. H. Snow	April	
LONDON, &c., via USUAL PORTS	MALTA	Noon, 6th April	See Special Advertisement.
LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSELLES	NILE	About 10th April	Freight and Passage.
LONDON	Capt. E. P. Martin	April	

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E. A. HEWETT,
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Hongkong, 2nd April, 1907.

**CHINA NAVIGATION CO.
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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
CHINKIANG	"TAMSUI"	On 4th April, Noon.
SWATOW and SHANGHAI	+ "HOLHOW"	On 4th April, 4 P.M.
CEBU and ILOILO	"SUNGKING"	On 5th April, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	+ "SHAOHSING"	On 6th April, 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"CHINGTU"	On 9th April, 4 P.M.
MANILA	* "TAMING"	On 9th April, 4 P.M.
CHEFOO and NEWCHWANG	"KWEIYANG"	On 10th April, 4 P.M.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK TOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHANGSHA"	On 10th April, 4 P.M.
TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 11th April, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	+ "KWEILIN"	On 12th April, 4 P.M.
CHEFOO and NEWCHWANG	"NANCHANG"	On 18th April, 4 P.M.

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"MONTEAGLE" 6,163 Wednesdays, 22nd May ... 15th June
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NAPLES, GENOA, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP, BREMEN	"ZIETEN"	Wed, 10th April at Noon.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH, and YOKOHAMA	Capt. E. MALCHOW	April
MANILA, NEW GUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	"MANILA"	Thurs, 25th April at Noon.
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	Capt. J. MINSEN	About Fri, 5th April
KUDAT and SANDAKAN	"MANILA"	Wed, 1st May at 9 A.M.

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1907.

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Hongkong, 30th March, 1907.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

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SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS.
AMOV, German str., 663, H. Plambeck, 25th March—Saigon 20th March, Rice—Sandor Wieler & Co.

ANGHIN, German str., 1,001, Chr. Kumpel, 29th March—Bangkok 18th March, and Swatow 29th, Rice and Teakwood—Butterfield & Swire.

BANGKOK, German str., 1,236, E. Klimmt, 2nd April—Bangkok 24th March, Rice and Meal.

BLACKHEATH, British str., 1,719, Sherborne, 28th March—Geraldton, W.A., 12th March, Sandalwood—Order.

BOMBAK MARU Japanese str., 3,308, S. Ishii, 25th March—Kobe via Shanghai 18th March, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

BOUINOS, French str., 937, E. Baill, 30th March—Swatow 28th March, Ballast—Gum.

CHENG CHUW, British str., 1,200, Russell, 29th Mar.—Singapore 19th Mar., General Chinese.

CHILDREN, Norwegian str., 1,102, A. Augensen 21st March—Bangkok via Swatow 18th and 20th March, General—Asgaard, Thorson & Co.

CHINA, American str., 3,186, D. E. Fries, 30th March—Manila 28th March, General—P. M. S. S. Co.

CHINGTU, British str., 1,439, W. B. Brown, 24th March—Australia via Port 23rd Feb., General—Butterfield & Swire.

CHOYSANG Br. str., 2nd April, from Canton.

CHUNSHANG, British str., 22nd March, from Canton.

DAITA MARU Japanese str., 1,735, Aikawa, 1st April—Moji 27th March, Coal—Mitai Busan Keisha.

DEVAWONSE, German str., 1,952, T. V. Krall, 28th March—Bangkok via Kohsin-chang 21st March, Rice—N. D. L.

EMPIRE OF CHINA, British str., 3,040, R. Archibald, n.r.e., 11th March—Vancouver, B.C., 29th Mar., Maize and General—C. P. R. Co.

FUKUSHI MARU Japanese str., 1,090, T. Ito 28th March—Swatow 27th March, General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

HAICHING, British str., 1,267, A. E. Hodges, 28th March—Foochow 23rd Mar., 24th and Swatow 27th March, General—Douglas Lapraik & Co.

HOUANG, British str., 1,359, Jas. M. Hay, 20th March—Hongkong 17th March, Coal—Jardine Matheson & Co.

HUXAN, British str., 1,142, Packett, 27th March—Saigon 23rd March, Rice—Butterfield & Swire.

KANJU MARU Japanese str., 1st April, from Canton.

KIUKANG, Br. str., 2nd April, from Canton.

KOSHIMARU Japanese str., 1,746, M. Ueda, 22nd March—Moji 15th March, Coal—Fukusei & Co.

KREMLAND, Norwegian str., 889, Hansen, 18th March—Saigon 12th Mar., Rice—Asgaard Thorson & Co.

KUNISANG, British str., 2,078, E. J. Butler, 1st April—Singapore 20th Mar., General—Jardine Matheson & Co.

LАНДЕР СЕЧИФ, German str., 1,912, H. Grusel, 25th March—Java 15th March, Sugar—Siemsen & Co.

LOO SOK, German str., 1,020, G. Schultz, 1st April—Bangkok, Kuching 25th March, Rice—McLaren & Co.

LOTHIAN, British str., 3,911, J. C. Williamson, 21st March—Kuching 15th March, Coal—Dadswell & Co.

LOYAL, German str., 1,237, Fr. Natzing, 21st March—Java and Samarang 12th March, Sugar—Sander, Wieler & Co.

MATHILDE, German str., 881, N. Sohnemann, 21st Mar.—Haiphong, Pakhoi and Hoitow 20th March, General—Johsen & Co.

MARIE, German str., 1,069, F. Petersen, 16th March—Saigon 13th March, Rice & Paddy—Johsen & Co.

MATHILDE, German str., 871, N. Sohnemann 21st Mar.—Haiphong, Pakhoi and Hoitow 20th March, General—Johsen & Co.

MICHAEL JENSEN, German str., 951, H. Bendixen, 26th Mar.—Hoitow 23rd March, General—Johsen & Co.

NICOMEDIA, German str., 4,363, P. Wagmann, 30th March—Portland, Oregon 15th Feb., Flour—Portland and Asiatic Co.

NORD, Norwegian str., 702, G. Hanekom, 28th March—Saigon 22nd March, Rice—Asgard Thorson & Co.

PAIKAR, German str., 1,017, H. Domke, 22nd March—Babylon 14th March, Rice.

PHUOC-PHEN British str., 1,096, J. H. Scott, 25th March—Saigon 21st March, Rice—Chinese.

PHU-YEN, French str., 1,246, Baudoin, 23rd March—Saigon 19th March, Rice—Bradley & Co.

PROTEUS, Norwegian str., 1,023, Ol. Porslinnes, 31st March—Bangkok 20th Mar., Rice—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

PROVIDENCE, Norwegian str., 693, H. Skarboe, 30th March—Haiphong and Hoitow 29th March, General—A. R. Mart.

RUM, British str., 1,611, R. W. Almond, 1st April—Manila 20th March, General—Shewan, Tomes & Co.

SIMA, British str., 992, C. Gangster, 2nd April—Singapore 26th March, Kerosene oil—Geo. McRae.

STETTIN, British str., 1,296, J. E. Farrell, 31st March—Singapore 25th March, Kerosene oil—Geo. McRae.

SUNGKANG, British str., 987, Penfathers, 30th March—Holla 23rd March, Sugar—Butterfield & Swire.

TAI-ING, British str., 1,544, D. Christie, 2nd April—Sejpon 29th March, Rice—Jardine Matheson & Co.

TAISHAN, British str., 1,174, J. T. Laing, 24th March—Saigon 19th March, Rice—Bradley & Co.

TAIWAN,

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS BY THE SIBERIAN RAILWAY.

Letters and Post Cards only if specially superscribed are sent by this route to Europe by steamers leaving Shanghai every Saturday.
Mails from London are despatched via Siberia daily and forwarded from Vladivostok by steamer every Sunday.

The *Arcadia*, with the English mail of the 8th ult., left Singapore on Saturday, the 30th ult., at noon, and may be expected here to-day. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 5th February, and the parcel mails closed in London for despatch by the all sea route on the night of the 27th Feb., and for despatch overland on the early morning of the 8th ultime.

FOR

	PER	DATE
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe	Thursday, 4th, 11.00 A.M.	
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama and Portland	Thursday, 4th, 11.00 A.M.	
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama	Thursday, 4th, 11.00 A.M.	
Chinkiang	Thursday, 4th, 11.00 A.M.	
Szian	Thursday, 4th, NOON.	
Macao	Thursday, 4th, 1.15 P.M.	
Shantow and Shanghai	Thursday, 4th, 3.00 P.M.	
Shanghai	Thursday, 4th, 3.00 P.M.	
Hsinping	Thursday, 4th, 5.00 P.M.	
Singapore, Penang and Colombo	Friday, 5th, 11.00 A.M.	
Macao	Friday, 5th, 1.15 P.M.	
Manila	Friday, 5th, 3.00 P.M.	
Cebu and Ilollo	Friday, 5th, 3.00 P.M.	
Shanghai, Yokohama, and Kobe	Friday, 5th, 4.00 P.M.	
Amoy and Manila	Friday, 5th, 4.00 P.M.	
Kobe and Yokohama	Saturday, 6th, 10.00 A.M.	
Europa, &c., India via Colombo	Saturday, 6th, 10.00 A.M.	
Extra Postage 10 cents.	Postage 10 cents.	
(Supplementary mail on board ship up to the time fixed for despatch of the mail.)	Extra Postage 10 cents.	
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The Parcel mail will be closed at 5 p.m. on Friday, the 5th instant.		

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Hongkong, 29th March, 1907.

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Zig Zag Variety Entertainment, Causeway Bay, 8 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Extraordinary General Meeting, Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., 12.30 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

April 3rd.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

ON LONDON.— Telegraphic Transfer 2/1

Bank Bills, on demand 2/1 1/2

Bank Bills, at 30 days sight 2/1 1/2

Bank Bills, at 4 months sight 2/1 1/2

Credits, at 4 months' sight 2/1 1/2

Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 2/1 1/2

ON PARIS.— Bank Bills, on demand 265

Credits, at 4 months' sight 270

ON GERMANY.— On demand 215

Bank Bills, on demand 501

Credits, 60 days' sight 52

ON BOMBAY.— Telegraphic Transfer 155

Bank, on demand 155

ON CALCUTTA.— Telegraphic Transfer 155

Bank, on demand 155

ON SHANGHAI.— Bank, at sight 724

Private, 30 days' sight 73

ON YOKOHAMA.— On demand 102

ON MANILA.— On demand—Peso 1024

ON SINGAPORE.— On demand 124

ON BATAVIA.— On demand 41 p.c. pm

ON SAIGON.— On demand 10 p.c. pm

ON BANGKOK.— On demand 70

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April 3rd.

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Malwa Older 930

Malwa V. Old 970

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Banaras New 8955

Banaras Old "

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per *Chipping*, from Wei-hai-wei, Mrs. Lamert and two children.

DEPARTED.

Per *Kawachi Maru*, from Hongkong, for London, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Irving, five children and nurse, Mrs. and Miss Conroy, Mrs. Bellamy and infant, Mrs. Northgate, Mrs. Kemp, Mrs. Kinman and two children, Miss F. B. Sepher, Burns and Conduitt.Per *Aki Maru*, from Hongkong, for Seattle, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Deenreicher, Mr. and Mrs. Sheerick, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Dunwoody, Mr. and Mrs. Nash, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Talbot, Mr. and Mrs. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. H. Baird, Mr. and Mrs. Cotis, Mr. and Miss Chas. Lang, Capt. and Mrs. Stanger-Lethes, Rev. and Mrs. Spott and family, Rev. and Mrs. Cunningham, Major and Mrs. Patrick, Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. Seymour, Mrs. S. B. Forbes, Mrs. Petrie, Mrs. Fujiyawa, Mrs. T. Mikami, Misses Ada Deersopher, Clara Leuker, Mable P. Taylor, Mary F. Patten, Mr. Corfield, Messrs. Curtis, Titton, W. N. Benedict, Ross, Oberly, M. W. Stohr, V. Brabt, Frank Miller, N. Corfield, H. Lacey, McPherson and J. Matsuzaki.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.
The P. & O. str. *Arcadia*, left Singapore for this port on the 30th March, at noon with the outward English Mails, and is due here to-day, about 5 a.m.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The O. & O. str. *Mongolia* sailed from Yokohama on the 29th March, and will therefore be due to arrive at this port on the 6th April.

THE GERMAN MAIL.
The I.G.M. str. *Prinz Eitel Friedrich*, carrying the German Mail with dates from Berlin of the March 12th, 16th Colombo on Saturday 30th March, p.m. and may be expected here on or about Wednesday 10th April.

THE INDIAN MAIL.
The str. *Kalsang*, left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on 27th March, and may be expected here on or about 12th April.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The str. *Indra*, from New York via Suez left Singapore for this port March 27th.

The C.P.R. steamer, *Athenica* left Vancouver B.C. for Hongkong, (via usual ports of Call) at p.m. on Wednesday March 27th.

The J.G.M. str. *Mamia* left Sydney on Tuesday the 12th March p.m. and may be expected here to-day.

The German str. *Sophie Rickmers*, left Moji 29th March, for this port, and is due to arrive here to-day.

The Apur str. *Gregory Apur*, from Calcutta left Singapore for this port on the 1st inst. and may be expected here to-day.

The Ben Line str. *Beaver*, from Antwerp and London, left Singapore on 28th March, for this port.

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The N.Y.K. str. *Iwata Maru*, (European Line) left Singapore for this port on 29th Mar., and is expected here to-day.

The str. *Copri*, left Singapore for this March 29th, and may be expected here to-day.

The str. *Nippon Maru*, from Yokohama is due at this port on or about the 12th April.

The N.Y.K. str. *Kagoshima Maru*, (Bombay Line) left Bombay for this port on the 27th March, and is expected here on the 14th April.

The E. & A. str. *Dorothy* left Port Said for Hongkong direct on the 24th Feb., and may be expected here on or about the 1st May.

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL.

Mar. 12th—*Devonshire*, *Den of Lions*, *Manxman*, *Rheubarb*, *Glencaur*, *Satsuma*, *Shimosa*, *Ajaz*, *Jara*, *Floriston*, *Norman Prince*, 20th—*Kennmark*, *Poona*, *Prinz Eitel Friedrich*, *Stetek*, *Sikh*, 22nd—*Anchises*, *Berlino*, *Semperita*, *Kanakura Maru*, 26th—*Flinthire*, *Hudson*, *Malacca*, *Lioness*, *Menon*, *Glenaffric*, April 2nd—*Australia*, *Bentley*, *Hannover*, *Claverdon*, *Escherich*, *Kens*, *Perdinand*, *Glenarou*, *Kemun*, *Kennebec*, *Euphrate*, *Ram*, *Machaon*, *Peteus*, *Antiochus*, *Dunblane*, *Kilkerran*, *Nore*.

ARRIVALS AT HOME.

April 3rd—*Wraycastle*, *Alcibiades*, *China*, (Aus.) *Preussen*, *Hakata Maru*, *Silesia*, (Ger.)

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, April 3rd.

COMPANY. PAID UP QUOTATIONS.

Alhambra	\$200	\$120.
Banks—		
Hongkong & Shai-	\$120	\$800 sales London £103.
National B. of China	\$8	\$51.
Bell's Asbestos E. A.	12s. 6d.	77. sellers
China-Borneo Co.	\$12	\$10, sellers
China Provident	\$10	\$9, sellers
Cotton Mills—		
Evo.	U.S. 53	Ths. 73.
Hongkong	\$10	\$12.
International	U.S. 75	Ths. 66.
Leou Lung Mow	U.S. 100	Ths. 110.
Soyee	U.S. 500	Ths. 390.
Dairy Farm	\$8	\$16, sellers
Docks and Wharves—		
H. & W. Wharf &	\$50	\$10, sellers
H. & W. Dock	\$50	\$10, sellers
New Anay Dock	\$61	\$12.
Shanghai Dock	U.S. 100	Ths. 92.
S'hai & H. Wharf	U.S. 100	Ths. 218, x.d.
Fenwick & Co., Geo.	\$25	\$18.
Green Island Cement	\$10	\$10, sellers
Hongkong & C. Gas	\$10	\$17, buyers
Hongkong Electric	\$10	\$10, buyers
H. L. Tramways	\$100	\$20, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Co.	\$25	\$240 buyers
Hongkong Ice Co.	\$10	\$26, buyers
Hongkong Rope Co.	\$10	\$10, buyers
H'ong S. Waterboat	\$10	\$10, sellers
Insurance—		
Canton	\$50	\$200, sellers
China Fire	\$20	\$10, sellers
China Traders	\$25	\$100.
Hongkong Fire	\$50	\$200, sellers
North China	\$25	Ths. 36.
Union	\$100	1845, buyers
Yangtsze	\$60	\$182, buyers
Land and Building—		
Hongkong Land Co.	\$100	\$17, sales
Humphry's Estate	\$10	\$11, sales
Kowloon Land & B.	\$20	\$871, sellers
Shangha Land . . .	U.S. 50	Ths. 100.
WestPoint Building	U.S. 25	